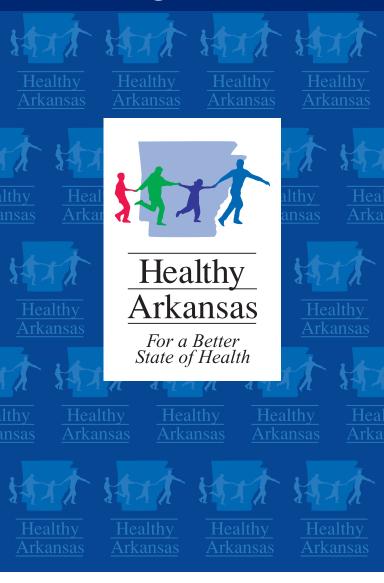
# Understanding and Controlling Your Diabetes



# Arkansas is one of the most unhealthy states in the country.\*

#### Do you have diabetes?

About 18.2 million Americans have diabetes and 5.2 million aren't aware they have the disease. In Arkansas, an estimated 235,000 adults have diabetes, 78,000 of whom are unaware they suffer from the disease!

# Why is controlling your diabetes so important?

You can live a long healthy life with diabetes if you learn how to take good care of yourself. You can do this by getting good medical care from your doctor, along with learning the special skills needed to help control diabetes. In studies, diabetes education has been shown to reduce trips to the hospital.

# When diabetes is out of control, the results can be devastating.<sup>1</sup>

- ★ Diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States.
- ★ The leading cause of new blindness in the United States is diabetes.
- ★ Diabetes is the leading cause of nontraumatic amputations in the United States.
- ★ A major cause of kidney disease is diabetes.
- ★ Cardiovascular disease is a complication of diabetes. People with diabetes are two-to-four times more likely to die of heart disease or stroke than those without diabetes.
- ★ The more severe the diabetes, the more likely a person will experience impaired sensation or pain in the feet or hands, digestive problems, carpal tunnel syndrome and other nerve problems.

## **Diabetes Control Centers in Arkansas**

Site	Address	City	Zip	Phone
AHEC Southwest	300 East 6th St.	Texarkana	71854	(870) 779-6059
AllCare Pharmacy*	3002 W. Pine St.	Arkadelphia	71923	(870) 246-3044
Arkansas Health Group*	353 Cash Rd.	Camden	71701	(870) 836-8101 x114
Ashley County Medical Center*	1015 Unity Rd.	Crossett	71635	(870) 364-1432
Baptist Health Medical Center*	9601 Interstate 630, Ex. 7	Little Rock	72205	(501) 202-1878
Baptist Health Medical Center*	2319 Highway 110 W.	Heber Springs	72543	(501) 206-3256
Baptist Health Medical Center*	3333 Springhill Dr.	North Little Rock	72117	(501) 202-3701
Baxter Regional Medical Center*	624 Hospital Dr.	Mountain Home	72653	(870) 508-1765
Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System*	4300 W. Seventh St.	Little Rock	72205	(501) 257-5815
Chicot Memorial Hospital*	2729 Highway 65 & 82 S	Lake Village	71653	(870) 265-5351 x 312
Conway Regional Health System*	2302 College Ave.	Conway	72032	(501) 513-5248
Cooper Clinic, P.A.*	6801 Rogers Ave.	Fort Smith	72903	(479) 452-2077 x3552
Crittenden Memorial Hospital/Impact Center*	200 Tyler St.	West Memphis	72301	(870) 735-1500
Delta Area Health Education Center*	119 Hickory Hill Dr.	Helena	72342	(870) 338-9100 x115
Drew Memorial Hospital*	778 Scogin Dr.	Monticello	71655	(870) 367-2411
Hot Springs Internal Medicine*	1636 Higdon Ferry Rd.	Hot Springs	71913	(501) 525-2121
Jefferson Regional Medical Center*	1515 West 42nd Ave.	Pine Bluff	71603	(870) 541-7310
Magnolia Hospital*	101 Hospital Dr.	Magnolia	71753	(870) 235-3473
Medical Park Hospital	2001 S. Main St.	Норе	71801	(870) 722-2494
Northwest Health System*	2900 Medical Center Parkway	Bentonville	72712	(479) 553-2010
Ouchita Valley Family Clinic	353 Cash Rd. S.W.	Camden	71701	(870) 836-8101
Ozark Health Medical Center	Hwy 65 S.	Clinton	72031	(501) 745-7004 x1174
Piggott Community Hospital	1206 Gordon Duckworth Dr.	Piggott	72454	(870) 598-3881
Professional Home Care	2010 Byres St.	Batesville	72501	(870) 698-0797
Rebsamen Medical Center Home Health	1400 West Braden St. N.W	Jacksonville	72076	(501) 985-7480
Reed-Collier Drug Store*	201 Main St.	Pine Bluff	71601	(870) 534-8351
Saline Memorial Hospital	1 Medical Park Dr.	Benton	72015	(501) 776-6000
South Arkansas Medical Associates*	600 S. Timberlane	El Dorado	71730	(870) 862-2400
Sparks Regional Medical Center*	1311 S. I St.	Fort Smith	72901	(479) 441-4071
St. Anthony's Health Clinic	200 S. Moose	Morrilton	72110	(501) 354-4637
St. Bernards Medical Center*	300 Carson	Jonesboro	72401	(870) 932-1198
St. Bernards Medical Center*	225 E. Jackson Ave. #81	Jonesboro	72401	(870) 972-4341 x 870
St. Edward Mercy Medical Center*	301 Rogers Ave.	Fort Smith	72903	(479) 314-6722
St. Joseph's Mercy Health Center*	300 Werner St.	Hot Springs	71903	(501) 622-1840
St. Mary's CORF*	809 Main St.	Russellville	72801	(479) 368-3733
St. Mary's Hospital*	1200 W. Walnut	Rogers	72756	(479) 936-2850
St. Vincent Infirmary Medical System	#1 St. Vincent Circle, Ste. 250	Little Rock	72205	(501) 552-2572
University of Arkansas for Medical Science*	4302 W. Markham	Little Rock	72205	(501) 296-1220
Washington Regional Medical Center	146A Passion Play Rd.	Eureka Springs	72632	(501) 253-9746
Washington Regional Medical Center*	125 N. College	Fayetteville	72701	(479) 713-1114
Washington Regional Medical Center*	3000 N.W. (A)	Bentonville	72712	(479) 713-1114
White County Medical Center*	3214 East Race	Searcy	72143	(501) 380-1349
White River Rural Health Center*	15 North Main	Brinkley	72021	(870) 734-1150
White River Rural Health Center	606 W. Wilbur D. Mills	Kensett	72082	(501) 742-5679
White River Rural Health Center	801 Edmonds St. P.O. Box 807	McCrory	72101	(870) 731-5411
White River Rural Health Center*	623 N. Ninth St.	Augusta	72006	(870) 347-2534

# You can learn how to control your diabetes.

## Who is eligible?

The centers are open to all Arkansas residents who want to learn more about diabetes.

## What do I have to do to participate?

Call the closest center to your home to learn about classes and other programs.

#### What do the centers offer?

Trained diabetes educators will show you how to make healthy changes in your life. You will learn about your medications, the importance of exercise, healthy eating tips, how to deal with stress, questions you should be asking your doctor and how to make other healthy changes in the way you live.

## The warning signs and symptoms of diabetes

Symptoms of type I diabetes almost always occur suddenly. They may include:

- ★ Increased thirst
- ★ Many trips to the bathroom
- ★ Increased hunger
- ★ Sudden weight loss
- ★ Feeling very tired

Symptoms of type II diabetes may be easily overlooked and often are not noticed at all because they develop slowly. They may include one or more of the following:

- ★ Feeling very tired
- ★ Many trips to the bathroom
- ★ Problems with sexual function
- ★ Increased hunger

- ★ Numbness, tingling or burning in hands or feet
- ★ Dry, itchy skin
- ★ Many infections
- ★ Blurred vision
- ★ Slow-healing cuts or sores
- ★ Increased thirst

In some cases, there are no symptoms of diabetes.

## **A Model Program**

The Arkansas Diabetes Disease Management Pilot was developed through a partnership with Eli Lilly and Company, and other key stakeholders, including the DHS Division of Medical Services, Arkansas Department of Health, Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care, Health Information Design, Arkansas Diabetes Association, Arkansas Minority Health Commission and University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. The project includes an outcomes study of Arkansas' Medicaid diabetic population as well as faceto-face diabetes self-management training and education for people with diabetes. The program results indicate that aggressive diabetes education has a positive impact on the health of Medicaid patients and helps the state manage costs associated with the disease.



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